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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 1.97, Applicant desires to make of record the references set forth on the attached Form PTO 1449 which were cited in a search report dated April 15, 1999 which was forwarded to Applicant's representative in a communication dated April 30, 1999 of the corresponding French application. Enclosed is a copy of the search report which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office where documents cited as category X are deemed relevant when taken alone; documents cited as category Y are deemed relevant when taken in combination with another reference; documents cited as category T are directed to the theory or principle underlying the invention and documents cited as category A are deemed relevant as

technological background. Copies of these references are submitted herewith. Also submitted herewith are the documents cited in the above identified application.

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